



HUALAPAI TRIBAL UTILITY AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 21, 2022

HUALAPAI HEALTH, WELLNESS & EDUCATION

9:30 AM

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ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER

NOTE: MEETING WAS RESCHEDULED AND HELD AT TO HULAPAI HELTH AND WELLNESS AT LAST MINUTE

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY VICE CHAIR JOE MONTANA AT 9:45 AM

ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS

CHARLES VAUGHN, CHAIRMAN - PRESENT, ARRIVED AY 11:00 AM

JOE MONTANA, VICE CHAIRMAN -PRESENT

SECRETARY - LANA KELLER ROBINETT -ABSENT

TREASURER - JASON DAVIS -PRESENT

RORY MAJENTY -PRESENT

SUPPORT PERSONNEL AND GUEST(s)

BILL CYR, GENERAL MANAGER -PRESENT

KEVIN DAVIDSON, PLANNING DIRECTOR -PRESENT

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ITEM 3 – REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

a) FEBRUARY 24/MARCH 10, 2022

FEBRUARY 22, 2022, HTUA BOARD MEETING MINUTES WERE REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE HTUA BOARD ON A MOTION BY RORY MAJENTY AND SECOND BY JASON DAVIS (3-0-0)

MARCH 10, 2022 HTUA BOARD MEETING MINUTES WERE REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE HTUA BOARD ON A MOTION BY JOE MONTANA AND SECOND BY JASON DAVIS (2-0-1)

ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF INVOICES

a) BBC CONSULTING - GENERAL MANAGER SERVICES

MOTION TO APPROVE BBC CONSULTING INVOICE OF \$ 9,393.64 BY RORY MAJENTY SECOND BY JASON DAVIS VOTE 3-0-0)

ITEM 5 - FINANCIAL

a. REVIEW OF 2021 EXPENSES

THE BOARD REVIEWED THE HTUA EXPENSES TO DATE

ITEM 6 - GCW SOLAR

a) PROJECT UPDATE

THE BOARD REVIEWED A WRITTEN PROJECT UPDATE THAT DISCUSSED IN DETAIL

1. PROJECT FINANCIAL HISTORY
2. OUTSIDE THE FENCE COST ESTIMATES
3. SUMMARY OF OUTSIDE THE FENCE MATERIAL COSTS
4. SUMMARY OF RECENT ON-SITE MEETINGS FOR THIRD-PARTY CONTRACTS TO INSTALL OUTSIDE THE FENCE INFRASTRUCTURE
5. GCW OWN STAFF WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR CONSTRUCTING TRENCH AND INSTALLING CONDUIT FOR PROJECT

b) DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON TERC'S RECOMMENDATION ON ALTERNATE SOLAR ARRAY MOUNTING SYSTEM

MR. DAVIDSON UPDATED THE BOARD ON TERC'S REVIEW AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE SCREW ANCHORING SYSTEM VERSUS THE ALREADY APPROVED BALLAST ANCHORING SYSTEM. THE BOARD WAS PROVIDED INFORMATION IN THE BOARD PACKET ON BOTH ANCHORING SYSTEMS AND MR. DAVIDSON WENT OVER THE MATERIAL PROVIDED IN DETAIL

c) DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON CHANGE ORDER TO UPGRADE BATTERY BANK

THE BOARD REVIEWED AND APPROVED CHANGE ORDER PROPOSED BY SOLON FOR A BATTERY UPGRADE OF 43% INCREASE IN BATTERY CAPACITY FOR A PROJECT INCREASE OF 2.7%. THE MOTION TO UPGRADE THE BATTERY SYSTEM BY 43% FOR A COST OF \$87,000 WAS MADE BY MR. DAVIS WITH A SECOND BY MR. MONTANA. VOTE (4-0-0)

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d) DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON SELECTION OF VENDOR(S) TO SUPPLY OUTSIDE THE FENCE EQUIPMENT

THE BOARD REVIEWED THE RESULTS OF THE QUOTES FROM THIRD-PARTY VENDORS. THE MATERIAL WAS BUNDLED INTO 3 SEPARATE COMPONENTS (JUNCTION BOX, CABLE AND CONDUIT) EACH COMPONENT WAS UNDER \$50,000, THEREFORE THE 3 SEPARATE QUOTES WILL SATISFY ACCOUNTING REQUIREMENTS.

THE BOARD APPROVED THE PURCHASE OF OUTSIDE THE FENCE EQUIPMENT FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$140,000 MOTION BY MR. MONTANA SECOND BY MR. DAVIS VOTE (2-0-1) MR. MAJENTY ABSTAINED DUE TO BEING GCW BOARD MEMBER

e) DISCUSSION ON OUTSIDE THE FENCE CONSTRUCTION LINE WORKER SERVICES

THE BOARD REVIEWED A COMPREHENSIVE RFP BID PACKAGE SENT OUT TO THIRD-PARTY CONTRACTORS FOR THIRD-PARTY LINE WORKERS SERVICES FOR INSTALLATION OF OUTSIDE THE FENCE 25 V ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT.

ITEM 7 - GCW POWERLINE

a. STATUS BLM RIGHT OF WAY GRANT – ENVIRONMENTAL

THE BOARD WAS MADE AWARE THAT TERC HAS NOT SIGNED OFF OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL WORK COMPLETED BY BLM IN RELATION TO THE BLM GRANTING A ROW FOR CONSTRUCTION OF GCW POWERLINE OFF THE RESERVATION. THE IMPACT OF THE LACK OF APPROVAL IS SUCH THAT THE PROJECT WILL BE FURTHER DELAYED AND THAT THE NECESSARY ENGINEERING WORK MAY NOT BE COMPLETED IN TIME FOR SUBMISSION FOR CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING DURING THE 2023 BUDGET CYCLE

ITEM 8 MOHAVE ELECTRIC

a. REPLACEMENT OF TRANSFORMER ALONG ROUTE 18

MR. DAVIDSON UPDATED THE BOARD ON THIS PROJECT INDICATING THAT THE PROJECT HAD NOT BEEN COMPLETED PENDING THE MELTING OF THE REMNANTS OF SNOW IN THE AREA.

ITEM 9 - WAPA RELATED

- a. REVIEW POWER MARKET FORWARDS**
- b. WAPA FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICE-BOULDER CANYON RATE ORDER**

THE BOARD REVIEWED THE TWO WAPA RELATED SUBJECTS SHOWN ABOVE

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ITEM -10- OTHER

a) COUNCIL UPDATE-KEVIN

- i. **MEET WITH GCRC BOARD ON APRIL 26TH**
- ii. **MAY COUNCIL MEETING**

THE BOARD WAS BRIEFED ON THE TWO PENDING MEETING LISTED ABOVE. THE BOARD WAS PROVIDED WITH DRAFT OUTLINES THAT WILL BE USED TO CREATE POWER POINT PRESENTATIONS. MR. DAVIDSON WILL INFORM THE BOARD ON EXACT TIME, DATE AND LOCATION OF THE MEETING WITH GCRC.

b) AT&T ROW NEGOTIATIONS-KEVIN

MR. DAVIDSON UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE STATUS OF NEGOTIATIONS. IT APPEARS THE TRIBE WILL OBTAIN \$10 MILLION IMMEDIATELY AND AN ADDITIONAL \$15 MILLION OVER THE NEXT 10 YEARS.

c) BROADBAND FEASIBILITY STUDY UPDATE-KEVIN

MR. DAVIDSON UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PROGRESS TO DATE ON THE STUDY

d) SOLAR/GREEN HYDROGEN PROJECT

MR. DAVIDSON UPDATED THE BOARD ON HIS CONVERSATIONS WITH A THIRD-PARTY DEVELOPER WHO IS SEEKING TO DEVELOP A SOLAR HYDROGEN PROJECT ON HUALAPAI TRIBAL LANDS. THE PROPOSAL FROM THE DEVELOPER WILL BE BROUGHT FORWARD TO COUNCIL ON MAY 7TH.

e) OTHER

ITEM 11 - SET TIME AND LOCATION FOR NEXT MEETING

NEXT MEETING MAY 19 AT 9:30 AM

ITEM 12 –ADJOURN

METING ADJOURNED AT 12:25 PM